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A Fact Sheet on U.S. Wood Product Exports to the Pacific Rim

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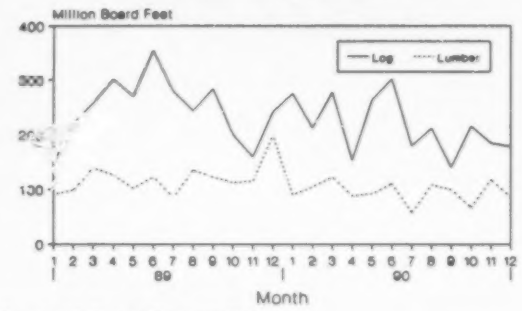
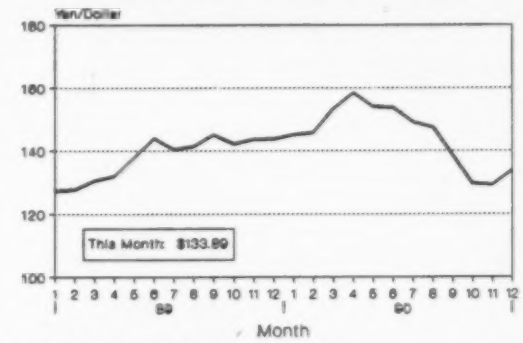
Exports to Japan
Softwood Logs & Lumber



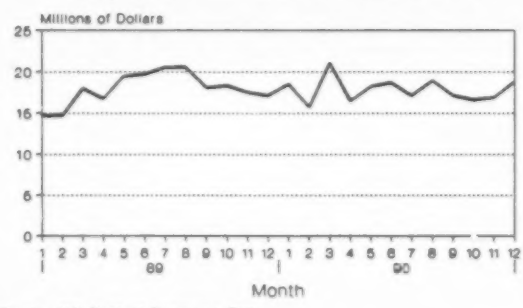
Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce; FAS

Japanese Yen/U.S. Dollar



Source: Federal Reserve Board

Value of Hardwood Lumber Exports to the Pacific Rim



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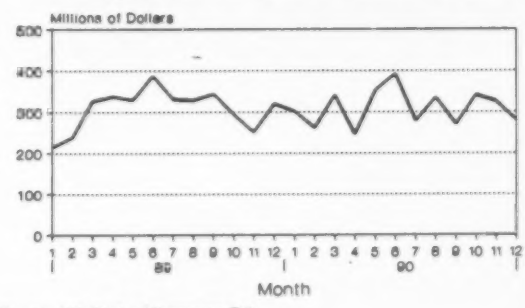
Value of All Wood Products Exports to the Pacific Rim



Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce; FAS

Total U.S. Exports to the Pacific Rim ($000)

Country Markets	Dec.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
Japan	215,129	(7.7)	2,821,282	(0.7)
China	16,603	25.4	179,972	(1.0)
Korea	29,495	49.5	368,796	4.2
Taiwan	9,367	(27.0)	152,199	(15.8)
Australia	7,223	14.4	100,815	(13.2)
Hong Kong	1,449	(23.4)	19,710	35.8
Singapore	1,221	24.7	13,350	18.0
TOTAL	$280,486	(2.6)	$3,656,123	(1.2)

Product Groups	Dec.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
Softwood Logs	152,360	8.2	2,027,520	(1.3)
Softwood Lumber	46,139	(19.2)	604,162	(10.9)
Hardwood Logs	9,226	33.3	88,046	(8.8)
Hardwood Lumber	18,785	11.2	214,113	(0.6)
Hardwood Veneer	2,626	16.5	34,134	(7.9)
Particleboard	2,503	42.9	30,929	54.4
Other	48,848	(21.5)	657,227	9.5
TOTAL	$280,486	(2.6)	$3,656,123	(1.2)

Notes: (1) Sources are USDA Foreign Agriculture Service & Dept. of Commerce unless noted otherwise.
(2) Percent changes from/to zero (or minimum) values are noted by *.
(3) Because of new HS classifications, certain year-to-year changes are not meaningful and, thus, are noted with an NA.

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U.S. Exports To:

		VOLUME				VALUE-$000			
		Dec.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Dec.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
	Softwood Logs - MBF	179,202	(3.1)	2,593,779	(12.2)	112,962	(2.2)	1,561,600	(2.3)
J	Softwood Lumber - MBF	86,517	(26.7)	1,145,119	(21.5)	39,679	(20.6)	500,882	(10.5)
A	Hardwood Logs - MBF	4,317	39.6	39,003	(1.4)	7,097	57.8	55,032	9.8
P	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	11,147	15.1	125,233	(19.7)	13,225	23.9	138,357	3.7
A	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	8,282	(2.2)	106,454	NA	1,107	3.2	13,030	21.0
N	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	1,588	(21.7)	18,467	8.3	326	3.8	3,919	9.1
	Other					40,733	(20.0)	548,461	13.0
	Subtotal					215,129	(7.7)	2,821,282	(0.7)
	Softwood Logs - MBF	67,772	155.2	604,641	(18.6)	22,130	102.9	269,798	5.9
K	Softwood Lumber - MBF	155	(86.1)	17,440	(15.4)	125	(87.1)	9,866	(12.4)
O	Hardwood Logs - MBF	654	(36.2)	14,638	(22.2)	952	(25.4)	15,237	(11.5)
R	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	861	(41.9)	13,232	(29.5)	882	(36.9)	11,933	(0.5)
E	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	4,541	113.0	63,414	NA	590	79.9	8,285	(20.6)
A	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	3,601	(7.4)	71,076	271.6	1,055	13.9	18,104	322.7
	Other					3,761	(4.4)	35,575	(19.1)
	Subtotal					29,495	49.5	368,796	4.2
	Softwood Logs - MBF	31,124	19.3	361,919	(37.7)	16,239	24.4	175,268	0.6
C	Softwood Lumber - MBF	94	13.2	387	(45.0)	35	25.0	126	(65.0)
H	Hardwood Logs - MBF	15	31.4	26	(97.4)	20	66.7	32	(91.0)
I	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	119	225.6	505	238.4	84	211.1	408	175.7
N	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	0	*	4,415	NA	0	*	500	(50.9)
A	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	237	112.7	614	77.2	127	115.3	251	512.2
	Other					98	81.5	3,388	(39.4)
	Subtotal					16,603	25.4	179,972	(1.0)
	Softwood Logs - MBF	2,411	13.0	36,348	(27.5)	1,009	(18.8)	20,555	(17.7)
T	Softwood Lumber - MBF	1,842	(1.8)	16,064	21.4	552	21.9	7,098	32.0
A	Hardwood Logs - MBF	1,516	94.7	13,951	(49.5)	994	(0.6)	14,422	(43.2)
I	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	5,103	(9.6)	70,015	(19.9)	3,738	(7.9)	51,145	(13.3)
W	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	4,779	5.1	71,380	NA	619	24.0	8,778	(25.0)
A	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	2,333	63.3	33,655	(25.7)	598	62.1	6,554	(41.6)
N	Other					1,857	(64.4)	43,647	1.2
	Subtotal					9,367	(27.0)	152,199	(15.8)
A									
U	Softwood Logs - MBF	32	(55.8)	416	(66.5)	20	(41.2)	299	(41.6)
S	Softwood Lumber - MBF	11,525	(9.0)	171,106	(22.3)	5,736	4.2	83,837	(15.2)
T	Hardwood Logs - MBF	0	*	229	(64.7)	0	*	439	(60.3)
R	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	141	238.8	2,911	26.5	172	282.2	3,581	42.8
A	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	1,423	450.6	7,315	NA	148	335.3	1,057	(14.6)
L	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	414	454.5	2,162	651.9	232	480.0	1,161	511.1
I	Other					915	39.7	10,438	(11.7)
A	Subtotal					7,223	14.4	100,815	(13.2)

Japanese Market Data

Imports -Thousand Cubic Meters	Dec.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	U.S. Import Market Share YTD (%)
Softwood Logs	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Softwood Lumber	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hardwood Logs	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hardwood Lumber	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

	Nov.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Wooden Structures YTD %
Housing Starts-000	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Source: Nippon Mokuzai Bichiku Kiko